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THE UNION OF LONDON AND  
SMITHS BANK, LTD.

HONGKONG BRANCH.—INTEREST ALLOWED.  
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.  
per Annum on the Daily Balance.  
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.  
" " 4 "  
" " 3 "

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1905. [20]

### HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000  
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Starting Reserve \$10,000,000  
Silver Reserve \$8,000,000  
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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY  
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.  
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:

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per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.  
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per Annum.  
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [22]

### HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted  
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be  
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PE-

CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option  
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED  
DEPOSITS at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1905. [23]

### THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL Sh. Taels 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

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Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,  
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.  
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H. FIGGE,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1904. [25]

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THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above  
Company are prepared to accept First  
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at  
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1904. [26]

JAPAN



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S. MINAMI, Manager, Hongkong. [28]

## Blats.

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#### STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI	{ SIMLA .....	About 24th	Freight and F. R. Summers..... March

LONDON, &c.	{ MALTA .....	March 25th,	See Special R. A. Peters..... Noon
	G. W. Babo, R.N.R....	March	Passage.

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L. S. LEWIS, Acting Superintendent. [2]

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [36]

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KRUSE & CO.  
SOLE AGENTS.

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1904.

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PHOTO GOODS DEALERS,

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Hongkong, 18th August, 1904. [45]

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Hongkong, 4th January, 1905. [41]

### HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1905. [46]

A. F. DAVIES,  
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### MACAO AND CANTON HOTELS.

#### A LITTLE CHANGE.

The round trip from HONGKONG to MACAO, thence  
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## Shipping Steamers.

## HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

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"KINSHAN"	1,995 "	J. J. Lissius.

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Departures from Sundays at 12.30 P.M.		

Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8.30 A.M.

## CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN"	219 tons	Captain T. Hamlin.
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 8.30 A.M. and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M.		

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## THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

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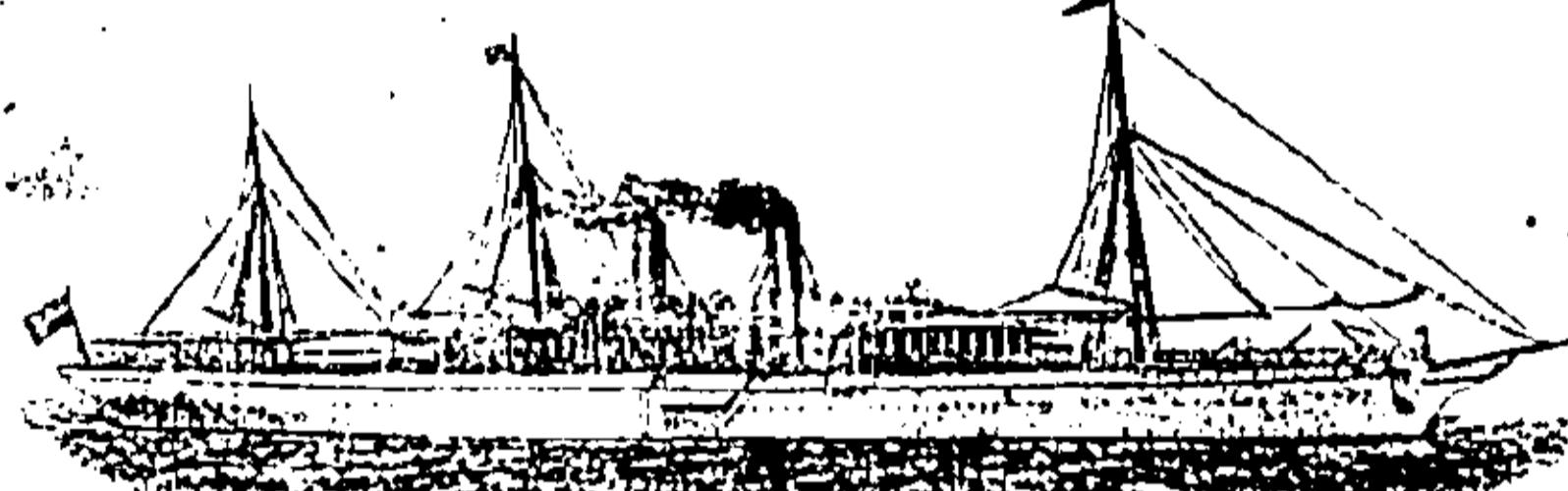
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Hongkong, 5th January, 1905

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" " "EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 " ..... WEDNESDAY, 19th April.  
" " "TARTAR" ... 4,475 " ..... WEDNESDAY, 26th April.  
" " "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 " ..... WEDNESDAY, 10th May.  
" " "ATHENIAN" ... 3,440 " ..... WEDNESDAY, 24th May.  
" " "EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 " ..... WEDNESDAY, 31st May.  
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Hongkong, 15th March, 1905

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

SCANDIA*	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	28th March.	Freight and Passengers.
SUEVIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	4th April.	Freight.
Knausel.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	16th April.	Freight and Passengers.
GILESIA*.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	2nd May.	Freight and Passengers.
SLAVONIA*.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	16th May.	Freight and Passengers.

SEGOVIA..... HAVRE and HAMBURG.  
(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.) 16th May. Freight.SENEGAMBIA\*..... HAVRE and HAMBURG.  
(Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.) 30th May. Freight.

NUBIA..... NEW YORK via SUEZ. 25th May. Freight.

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1905

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Hongkong, 16th November, 1904.

## Hails.

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Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers

and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

STEAMERS, SAILING DATES.

PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ..... WEDNESDAY, 29th March.

PRINZ HEINRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 12th April.

PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 26th April.

PREUSSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 10th May.

ROON ..... WEDNESDAY, 24th May.

BAVARIA ..... WEDNESDAY, 7th June.

ZIETEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 21st June.

GNEISENAU ..... WEDNESDAY, 5th July.

SACHSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 19th July.

SCHARHORST ..... WEDNESDAY, 2nd August.

PRINZ HEINRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 16th August.

PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 30th August.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of March, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Kirchner, with MAIIS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE AND CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 27th instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board, until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 28th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.

Linen can be washed on board.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE,  
VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, HERBERTS-HOEHE, MATIFI, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to alteration)

STEAMERS, SAILING DATES.

WILLEHAD ..... 4,761 tons ..... MONDAY, 3rd April.

PRINZ WALDEMAR ..... 3,227 " ..... FRIDAY, 12th May.

PRINZ SIGISMUND ..... 3,303 " ..... FRIDAY, 9th June.

ON MONDAY, the 3rd April, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "WILLEHAD," Captain B. Zurbansen, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

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## SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

## EUROPEAN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SERVICE.

FOR STEAMERS ABOUT

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH, WEDNESDAY, 29th March.

**Intimation.**

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FIRST FLOOR BY LIFT.

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Exclusive Neckwear.

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HONG KONG.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1905.

**Auctions.****PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Receiver in Bankruptcy, to sell by:

**PUBLIC AUCTION,**

ON

WEDNESDAY,

the 22nd March, 1905, at 11 A.M., at Hop Vick's Godown, West Point,

The following Merchandise —

No. 1 GODOWN—373 pieces Copper, 35 bags Rangoon Beans, 111 bags Cow's Hide Glue, 250 bags Brown Sugar Candy, 250 bags Dark Brown Sugar.

No. 2 GODOWN—5 bags Black Pepper.

No. 6 GODOWN—200 Small Wood Stick.

No. 7 GODOWN—587 bags Starch Flour, 64 bags Rangoon Beans, 52 bags Cow's Hide Glue.

No. 8 GODOWN—8 bags Black Pepper, 99 bags Ground Nut (no skin), 71 baskets Black Java Sugar, 194 bags Rangoon Wheats.

No. 9 GODOWN—124 bags Black Pepper, 222 bags Ground Nut (with skin).

No. 10 GODOWN—1,317 bags Ground Nut, 30 bales Tobacco Leaves, 36 bags Chinese Medicines, 223 bags Light Brown Sugar Candy, 57 bags Glutinous Rice.

No. 11 GODOWN—327 bags Sugar Candy.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [384]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned have received instructions from C. A. TOMEs, Esq., to sell by

**PUBLIC AUCTION,**

ON

MONDAY,

the 27th March, 1905, at 1.30 P.M., within his residence, No. 1, Cough Hill, The Peak,

THE WHOLE OF HIS

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD

FURNITURE,

THEREIN CONTAINED,

Comprising:—

SILK TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, TEAKWOOD OVER-MANTELS with BEVELLED GLASS, CANTON BLACKWOOD WARE, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, BRUSSEL'S and TIENSHIN CARPETS and RUGS, SHANGHAI CURTAINS, BRASS BEDSTEADS with WIRE and HAIR MATTRESSES, PICTURES, TEAKWOOD WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS, MARBLE-TOP BUREAU with BEVELLED GLASS, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, MARBLE BATH TUBS, &c., &c., &c.;

ALSO  
One AMERICAN MARBLE REFRIGERATOR;

AND

A Great Quantity of PLANTS in Pots. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1905. [377]

**Notice of Firm.****NOTICE.**

M. R. FREDERICK SALINGER will sign our firm per procription during the absence from the Colony of Mr. H. E. TOMKINS.

REISS & Co.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1905. [363]

**Entertainment.****CITY HALL.**

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WESTMINSTER  
GLEE AND CONCERT  
PARTY  
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FOUR CONCERTS ONLY.

FRIDAY, 24th March,  
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FOUR BOY SOLO SOPRANOS,

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Box Plan ROBINSON PIANO Co.

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [361]

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1905. [39]

**THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.**

The report of the board of directors to be presented at the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the company's hotel, at 12.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 26th March, is as follows:—

Citizens,—In accordance with section 56 of the Articles of Association, the directors now beg to submit their report for the half-year ended 31st December, 1904.

**ACCOUNTS.**

The profit on working account amounted to \$89,346.25 as compared with \$78,424.49 for the corresponding period of 1903, showing an increase of \$10,901.76.

The profit and loss account, including the sum of \$11,668.65 brought forward from 30th June, 1904, shows a credit balance of \$88,876.58, which the directors recommend should be apportioned as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 10 per cent. for the half-year.....\$60,000.00

To write off from value of furniture and fixtures.....12,692.92

To transfer to repairs and renewals account.....10,000.00

To write off from value of steam launch.....2,000.00

To write off from value of electric plant.....1,228.74

To carry forward to new account.....3,554.92

\$88,876.58

**DIRECTORS.**

Mr. E. Osborne retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election. Mr. R. C. Wilcox has been granted twelve months' leave of absence.

**AUDIT.**

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe, C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

W. HUTTON POTTS,  
Chairman.

The accounts are as follows:—

**BALANCE SHEET.**

31st December, 1904.

**Liabilities.**

Capital.....\$2,000 shares at \$50 each (fully paid-up).....\$600,000.00

1,000 mortgage debentures (6 per cent.) authorized issue, at \$50 each.....\$500,000.00

Less 250 held by the Company.....135,000.00

\$365,000.00

Preserve fund, as per last account.....100,000.00

Sundry creditors.....35,479.20

Undrawn dividends.....6,787.00

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (current account).....77,497.09

Profit and loss account, balance as per statement.....88,876.58

\$1,273,639.87

**Assets.**

Value of land and building as per last report:—

Marine Lot No. 5 and remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 3, \$372,045.60

Remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 7, 368,108.20

\$740,153.80

Praya reclamation—cost of land.....22,390.42

New building on reclamation, payments on account.....256,256.02

\$28,646.44

Cost of three Chinese houses on sections B, C and D of Inland Lot No. 80,.....33,000.00

Value of furniture and fixtures, as per last account.....\$6,720.49

Less written off as per last report.....7,207.49

\$6,000.00

Since added.....2,092.92

\$6,092.92

Installation of electric light.....\$5,728.74

Less account from special reserve fund.....20,000.00

\$31,228.74

Stock of linen, crockery and glassware, &c.,.....41,663.00

Stock of wine, provisions, household sundries and stationery, as per inventories.....31,576.49

Shares in public companies.....5,796.31

Licenses attaching to 1905.....3,666.67

Value of steam launch as per last report.....2,000.00

Sundry debtors.....33,845.95

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (unclaimed dividends account).....6,787.09

Cash in hand.....182.55

\$1,273,639.87

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.**

For the six months ending 31st December, 1904.

Dr.

To bad debts and refunds.....\$174.85

" crown rent.....50.10

" rates.....3,103.10

" fire insurance.....2,337.89

## Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
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Hongkong, 25th February, 1905.

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MacIntosh 10 years Old Whisky	\$10.00
Gregor & Co.'s Imperial Highland	16.00
Gregor & Co.'s Club N. I.	18.00
Gregor & Co.'s Royal Old Highland	24.00
J. R. D. plain	11.75
J. R. D. ***	14.25

Absolutely the finest obtainable in  
Hongkong.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE opening ceremony of the Seoul-Fusan railway has been fixed for the 25th of May.

Mr. Gilchrist, the Port Arthur engineer, has joined the firm of Wilson and Co., Tientsin.

The Emperor has conferred the First Class Order of the Sacred Treasure on Sir Ian Hamilton.

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## BIRTHS.

On 21st January, at 8, Beaulieu Villas, Finsbury Park, London, N., the wife of C. E. STEWART, of a son.

On 16th March, Shanghai, at 137, Bubbling Well Road, the wife of E. O. CUMMING, of a son.

## DEATHS.

On 15th March, at his residence in Range Road, Shanghai, CLARENCE EUGENE FISKE, aged 43 years.

On 16th March, at his residence, 14, West End Lane, A. NEILSEN, Shanghai, Upper Yangtze Pilot, aged 45 years.

The Shanghai Spring Race Meeting will take place on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th May.

THE Emperor of Japan has already donated about a million yen to the families of men killed in the war.

MORE ammunition has been used in a single day in Manchuria than was required to fight the Spanish-American War.

Mr. Friedrich von Syburg, the German Consul-General, was married at Yokohama to Miss Marie Kuyser on the 7th inst.

LAST week a case of diphtheria, one of enteric fever, and one of small-pox were notified as having occurred in the colony.

THE Chinese merchants in Siam have petitioned the Wai Wu Pu to appoint Chinese Consuls to the ports where they reside.

SNOW fell in considerable quantities at Shanghai last week. It is ten years since the Settlement was visited by a snowfall so late in the season.

MR. J. H. Kemp, deputy registrar, took his seat in the second Court at the Magistracy today, but there was very little business to occupy the attention of either of their Worships.

THE Japanese Camphor Co. has proposed to establish a telephone system in the island of Kulangsu, Amoy. The Chinese authorities did not accede to the project owing to its menacing the interests of the Telegraph administration.

OWING to the interruption of the Great Northern Telegraph Company's cable between Hongkong and Shanghai the whole traffic has to be transmitted by the Eastern Extension Company's cable. Delay may therefore be expected.

A TELEGRAM from the Secretary to the Government of Burma to the Hongkong Colonial Secretary dated 17th inst. says "Continuation of my telegram dated 24th January, No. 12, restrictions against arrivals from Hongkong port removed."

OWING to the rough weather prevailing in the harbour on Saturday only one boat, the *Hastie*, turned out for the fourth race of the Yacht Club, for the Governor's Cup and, sailed by Messrs. Kew and Shepherd over the course around Futamun Island, won the event.

A WIRE to the *Shanghai Times*, of 16th inst., says:—An attempt was made last night to blow up the Kremlin, in Moscow. The damage was fortunately slight and only affected the outer walls. The culprits, despite urgent search, have managed to escape capture so far.

*Messey's Miscellany* for the week ended 11th inst. contains a very interesting article on the varieties of food in China describing in detail a banqueting table and contents laid ready for eight persons. There is much other instructive matter embodied in the pages of this familiar pamphlet.

MESSRS. E. W. H. James, W. F. Donaldson and T. A. Griffiths have joined the Volunteer artillery. Bombadier C. H. Blason has resigned. Messrs. N. J. Stabb and M. Stewart have joined the Volunteer Troop. Trooper J. Hastings has been granted leave of absence from the Colony for ten months. Trooper G. Marshall has resigned.

IN the billiard match, V. M. C. A. European Department v. Chinese Department, on Saturday, the former won every game, while in a match between Mr. J. H. Oxberry, winner of the European Department handicap tournament and Mr. Tan Boon Leung, winner of the Chinese Department handicap tournament, the latter won by 37 in a game of 300 up.

THE annual inspection by the G.O.C. of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps will take place at Head Quarters next Saturday, the 25th inst., at two p.m. There was a rehearsal on Saturday, when the men, armed with new short rifles, paraded at Head Quarters at 2.30 p.m., and marched to the Polo ground, where they were joined by eighteen members of the Volunteer Troop.

THE C. P. R. steamer *Athenian*, which recently arrived here brought 400 tons of naval stores for the dockyard at Hongkong, having called at the naval station at Esquimalt to obtain the stores. It is interesting to note in this connection that the Admiralty have ordered Commodore J. E. C. Godrich, commanding the Pacific Squadron to haul down his flag at Esquimalt and return to England with his staff. This is taken to signify that Esquimalt will cease to be a naval station.

A FEW particulars as to the programme presented by the Westminster Glee and Concert Party, who are giving a concert here on Friday, may be of interest. The part music will include the following—Madrigals, "Now is the Month of May," composed so long ago as the sixteenth century, by Thos. Morley; "This Pleasant Month of May," William Beale (1815); Glees: "Oh, By Rivers," Sir Henry Bishop; "The Bells of St. Michael's Tower," William Kybett (1779-1856); "When Allen-a-Dale Went a-Hunting," R. L. de Pearsall (1795-1856); in addition to such modern part songs as "The Dawn of Day," Samuel Reay; "Sweet and Low," Sir Joseph Barnby; and "Oh, Hush Thee, My Baby," Sir Arthur Sullivan. In the solo department such old and familiar favourites as "The Oak and the Ash," "Down the Burn," "The Laird of Cockpen," "The Ash Grove," "Killarney," "Oft in the Still Night," "The Meeting of the Waters," "Loch Lomond," and others will find a place, the whole scheme affording an opportunity not often met with for kindling memories of the Old Country.

PROVIDED at least fifty Volunteers signify their intention of joining, the proposed Volunteer Rifle Club will be started. It will, in such case, be decided at the next meeting whether the annual subscription be \$3 or \$5.

DURING the past few days, Hongkong has been experiencing the first effects of the rainy season. On Saturday, it rained during the greater part of the day, and yesterday torrents of rain, accompanied by vivid flashes of lightning and heavy peals of thunder, fell over the island; with the result that the streets were practically deserted. To-day there has been a slight cessation in the rainfall, but there seems little prospect that it is likely to be permanent. Occasional showers drenched the streets and the rickshas and chair-coolies did a roaring business. The reservoirs should be well up to the high level mark now, so that householders who may be rather tired of the wet weather have the consolation of feeling that a water famine is highly improbable this year.

TWO curious accidents occurred on the tram-line yesterday evening, at the Praya East, near No. 2 Police Station. In the first a Chinese woman persistently walked along the road between the lines, carrying two empty baskets, and ignoring the warning gong of the car until it was close upon her, going dead slow, when she jumped to one side in such a way that her bamboo pole bumped against the front of the car, and sent her sprawling face downwards into the mud. She was much more frightened than hurt, as she fell clear of the car, but when she picked herself up, her language was shocking. A passenger in the car advised her to go home and take a bath and that added fuel to the fires of her wrath! The second accident occurred a little further up and was caused by a ricksha puller trying to pass on the seashore, or wrong side, of the car, with the result that a collision occurred, the impact causing the near wheel to skid over the wall and ricksha puller, and Chinese fare were all precipitated on to the beach below. Fortunately the tide was out at the time, so all the damage done was a severe shaking for the puller and his fare, and a slightly damaged ricksha wheel and hood.

## NEWCHWA NG.

Messrs. Bandinel & Co. write as follows in their Market Report dated the 6th instant:—

The cart traffic during the winter has been seriously affected by warlike operations; and stocks in port are estimated at the following:—

Beans, Yellow and Green ... \$40,000 piculs  
" Small ..... 2,400 "  
" Green ..... 1,600 "  
Bean Oil ..... 47,000 "  
Large Mullet ..... 30,000 "  
Small ..... 3,000 "  
General Cargo ..... 4,000 pkgs.

Besides which about 10,000 piculs of beans have been shipped from Chingwan-tao.

Stocks of beans at the principal depots in the interior are estimated at 1,735,000 piculs, and it is feared that the quantity available before next fall, including stocks now in port will not exceed 3,000,000 piculs.

Owing, among other causes, to the depreciated value of transfer money, prices are higher than ever before. We quote:—

Tls. Beans, Green and Yellow, per 3 piculs. .... 14.50  
" Small ..... 2,400 "  
" Green ..... 1,600 "  
Large Milet ..... 47,000 "  
Small ..... 30,000 "  
General Cargo ..... 15.00  
Beans ..... 10 pieces, 17.50  
Bean Oil ..... 1 picul ..... 15.00  
Exchange—Transfer Tael 1,000=Shanghai Tael 712.

Premium on Sycee—Tls. 33 per shoe.  
The temperature during the last six weeks has been low, and the ice is fairly thick.

We do not therefore think the ice will break before the 23rd or earliest the 18th inst.; allowing then a week or ten days for the ice to clear away, and considering the scarcity of lighters we cannot advise steamers to come here before the 25th inst., and those who wait until the 31st will probably lose little time.

THE NATIONAL BANK  
OF CHINA, LTD.

In delivering judgment in re the petition for the reduction of the capital of the National Bank of China (Limited), Mr. Justice Farwell said that the petition was opposed by only 44 holders of the founders' shares, though, of course, they were entitled to be heard, and it was for the Court to see that they were not unduly oppressed. The first point taken was that there was an express bargain that the holders of the founders' shares should not be interfered with. He did not think that was the true construction. The general power to reduce capital was not intended to be limited, and the protection of the founders' shares was left to the Court. Then it was said there was no sufficient evidence of loss of capital. That was a matter for expert evidence; and the experts for the company far outweighed the experts on the other side. There was no doubt that, owing to the fall in the value of the dollar, the company had lost the amount of capital alleged. As for the goodwill, he could not see that a company which over 12 years had paid an average of only a little over 1 per cent, could be said to have a valuable goodwill. The real objection to the scheme was that it was not fair and equitable. The observations made by Mr. Justice Stirling in "In re London and New York Investment Corporation" ([1895] 2 Ch., at p. 86) exactly fitted the present case. His Lordship could see no hardship in wiping out the founders' shares. These shares would get nothing until 8 per cent. was paid on the ordinary shares, and there was no reasonable prospect that the ordinary shares would ever reach that level. Nor could he see any object in keeping just a shred of life in the founders' shares in order that they might have a hope for the future. The company might want new capital, which they could not secure without getting rid of the founders' shares. He was convinced that the scheme would do no injustice, and the prayer of the petition must be granted.

## HONGKONG'S SHIPPING.

## THE PROSPCTS FOR 1905.

## GLOOMY TIMES FEARED FOR SHIPOWNERS.

The imminent opening of the ice-bound ports in the north has led shipowners and brokers to speculate anxiously on the prospects during the ensuing year. As a general rule, those engaged in the trans-shipment of goods to the northern ports can tell pretty accurately the probable condition of things which will prevail during the year, but on this occasion so much doubt exists, and so little of the exact state of affairs can be foreseen, that it is difficult to arrive at a perfectly sound estimate, and that is what worries those interested in the shipping trade.

## QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION.

Hongkong, perhaps more than any other distributing centre, is profoundly concerned with the prospects for 1905. Among the questions which have to be considered in this connection are the state of the crops; the tonnage at the disposal of shippers, the state of the freight market, and above all the probability of peace, being concluded between Japan and Russia. The last point is of the greatest importance, and the opinions of a ship broker in the city may be of interest not only to those who are primarily connected with the shipping of the port, but all who are concerned with the welfare of the Colony.

## IF PEACE BE CONCLUDED.

"Should peace be concluded shortly," he said, "Japan will still require the services of the large mercantile fleet which she took over at the beginning of the war. It will be necessary to provide provisions for the troops in Manchuria, to employ transports for the return of the troops to Japan, and to maintain a regular system of communication between the base and the scene of operations. That will have the effect of keeping a large amount of tonnage out of competition with the regular steamship service from Hongkong and other ports, but it may not last for any length of time."

## WHAT ABOUT THE FUTURE.

"Then when that stage has been passed we can only look forward to bad times?"

"That is the opinion of most people who have been trying to solve the question in Hongkong. Even at the present time, freights are exceedingly low, due to the fact that there is an exceptionally large amount of tonnage in the East. Norwegian boats have been coming out all the time. Old boats that could not be employed at home were filled up with coal and sent to the East, in the hope that they would get a charter by hook or by crook; and the result is that a great deal of tonnage will be prepared to accept freights at the lowest figure possible. That means bad business for shipowners at home and shipping firms here."

## NEWCHWANG ICE-BOUND.

Newchwang has been icebound up till to-day or to-morrow. We have that information from the Chinese, who are most reliable authorities on the subject. Boats have been going up since a fortnight ago, but so far they have not found any freight to take back on account of the high price of produce—beans and bean cakes, for example."

## VLADIVOSTOCK CLOSED.

"How does Vladivostock stand?" "Until after an inquest has been held by the Coroner. The facts of the case point to its being one of suicide. It appears that, on the 14th inst., the deceased went to the Stag Hotel with a small quantity of luggage, and said he wanted to engage a room for a few days. The manager told him he could be accommodated, but the rule of the hotel was that casual visitors were expected to pay for their accommodation. Deceased paid for four days, and was then assigned No. 12 room on the second floor. On the 15th inst., after going out, he did not reappear, but on the 16th he returned to the hotel, looking very dishevelled, and it was subsequently learned that he had been locked up and fined \$2 for being drunk and incapable in Queen's Road. As he continued drinking during the day the Manager of the hotel gave orders that he was not to be served with any more liquor, so he went out and got it outside, and was generally more or less under the influence of liquor up to the 18th inst. As the time for which deceased had paid had expired at 3 p.m. on that date, and he was locked up in his room, at 4 p.m. the Manager went upstairs and knocked at the door, with the intention of ascertaining whether deceased intended to prolong his stay, but receiving no answer to his knocks, he concluded that he was sleeping off the effects of his drinking and left him alone till the next morning, when, at eight o'clock, the cook boy knocked at the door. No reply being forthcoming he went away, and returned again at 9 a.m., but his knocking and calling failing to elicit any response the manager was called and telephoned to the police. They instructed him to do nothing until their arrival and when Inspector Smith came the door was opened by means of an iron bar inserted through the ventilator, the room was entered and Mr. West was found dead in his bed, the body being quite cold, as if death had ensued some hours back. A big bottle, which had contained laudanum and believed to have been taken from the medicine chest of his late steamer, was found on a table near by. A search was made among the deceased's effects, but no money was found either there or on his person. The deceased, who was some forty-two years of age, was believed to have been married, and it is understood his wife is now in England. The usual inquest will be held at an early date."

## PREMATURE TO FORECAST.

Continuing, the speaker said that it was difficult from any point of view to forecast the shipping prospects. He quoted from a circular issued by Messrs. Lamke and Rogge in which it was stated:—"As regards Northern ports, it is premature to form any correct idea as to opening rates. It is said that local companies' boats are holding out for 40 cents per picul Newchwang/Canton and it entirely depends on produce being scarce or otherwise, whether that figure will be procurable. The weather has been unusually cold of late and it is quite possible that Newchwang may be ice-bound up to the end of the present month." On the whole, however, it was not necessary to

## TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's.]

## Kuropatkin's Successor.

LONDON, 17th March.  
Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent wires that General Kuropatkin has been relieved of the functions of Commander-in-Chief of the Russian forces in Manchuria, and is succeeded by General Linievitch.

Later.  
It is reported that General Kuropatkin is already en route to St. Petersburg.

18th March.  
The report that General Kuropatkin has started for St. Petersburg is confirmed. General Linievitch has assumed command of the Russian forces in Manchuria.

## The "Knight Commander" and "Hipsang."

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent wires that Russia is considering her reply to the British Note regarding the Knight Commander claim, and that she will not now suggest arbitration.

Heavy damages are also claimed by Great Britain for the loss of the s.s. *Hipson*.

## A Russian tension.

A sensation has been caused at St. Petersburg by the publication of a newspaper article from the pen of Prince Mestchersky, one of the most influential of the reactionary party, urging the immediate conclusion of peace with Japan and saying:—"Our alternatives in continuation of the war are without hope, and with the certainty of internal shipwreck, whereas the termination of the war would be followed by the salvation of our country through its renovation. The conditions obtainable now are better than they will be when Vladivostock and Saghalien are in the hands of the Japanese."

Later.

## The Battle of Tieling.

Newspaper despatches received from St. Petersburg estimate the Russian casualties at the battle of Tieling at 19,000 and state that General Kuropatkin was obliged to abandon his stores and eighty guns.

## Funds for Japan.

If satisfactory terms can be arranged, a number of New York bankers have signified their readiness to participate with German financiers in bringing out a Japanese loan.

## Rozhdestvensky's Fleet.

Reuter's Antananarivo correspondent wires that Admiral Rozhdestvensky's squadron left Nossi Bé, Madagascar, on Thursday, and that its destination is unknown.

## Russian's Finances.

It is officially announced that Russian's gold reserve yesterday stood at 1,349,000,000 roubles, against circulating credit notes of 903,000,000 roubles, and that the amount legally required to cover these is only 602,000,000 roubles.

[N. C. D. News.]

## A Possible Stand at Kaiyuan.

Tokio, 15th March.  
There are indications that the Russians wounded are being constantly transported north of Tieling. The exhausted Russians are retreating to Kaiyuan, twenty-five miles north of Tieling, apparently intending to make a stand there.

General Kuropatkin reports that an examination of prisoners showed that General Nogi was with the Japanese force which occupied Mukden.

## A General Wounded.

General Tserbitzki, Commander of the Tenth Army Corps, is reported wounded.

## Dropping the Attachés.

The Japanese have picked up Captain Ayres, R. N., the American military surgeon Herbert, and Captain Judson, who were attached to the Russian army. They are being sent to Kobe to-day from Liayouang.

## THE "EMPEROR" AND "HWANG TAI" COLLISION.

With reference to the case of the *HWANG Tai*, a Chinese warship, which had been heard at the British Supreme Court, judgment was given for the plainiffs, with damages. Subsequently, not satisfied with the judgment, the defendants appealed to London, and the Chinese Government therefore again engaged prominent lawyers there. According to the latest information, Counsel for the shipping company proposed to pay damages at half of the estimate of the *HWANG Tai*, namely, at Tls. 300,000. To this effect the Shanghai Tao-tai communicated with Viceroy Chou Fu of Liangkiang, but the latter, it is understood, has not yet given his consent, and has ordered the legal adviser to the Chinese Government in Nanyang to bring the case to a satisfactory conclusion.—*Sinwan-fu*.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory.

On the 20th at 12, 10 p.m. Yesterday afternoon a depression, which has probably moved towards N.E., was lying to the West of the Loosooes.

The barometer has fallen in Hongkong and Weihaiwei.

Pressure continues relatively high over N China and gradients are apparently moderate for NE winds along the China coast, and slight with variable winds over the N part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—NE winds, moderate; rainy with thunder.

Except from Weihaiwei there are no returns from the China coast and Japan this morning.

## THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

The business of the Sessions was continued at the Supreme Court this morning, the Chief Justice (Sir Henry S. Berkeley) presiding. BRUTAL ATTACK ON A SERGEANT.

Wong Kwong Fi, Li Fat and Chun Chi were indicted for committing a violent attack in a Chinese Police-Sergeant in the New Territory on the night of January 31st last.

They pleaded not guilty, and the following Juries were empanelled:—Messrs. J. D. Kinney (foreman), F. W. White, C. Lannahan, Erich George, A. G. Coppin, H. D. Bell, and Duhjuehoy S. D. Burjor.

The Hon. the Attorney General (Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C.) briefly opened the case, and called

Sergeant Fan Ching who said that on the day in question he was stationed at Autau in the New Territory. On that date he was at Anlung where there was a temple known as Fak Tai. He saw a man running out of the temple, and followed and caught. He found the man was carrying three boxes of opium and a pair of scales. He arrested him and proceeded to take him to the police station, having to pass the temple to do so. Whilst on the way, he attacked from behind, by the three prisoners who demanded the release of the prisoner. He refused, whereupon they set about him and pulled him to the ground and struck him many times. They stopped up his mouth with earth and grass, after he had blown his whistle, and then they took away his whistle and revolver. He was then stabbed many times in the face, ears and hands. He became unconscious, and when he came to he was in the Police Station, and afterwards removed to the Government Civil Hospital. He had known all the prisoners before. It was a little after half past six when the attack took place. The first prisoner was the keeper of the temple, and on one occasion he remonstrated with him for allowing so many bad characters to congregate there.

Dr. Laing spoke to attending the last witness at the Autau police station. He found from ten to fifteen stabs on the head; both upper eyelids were cut through and he had to stitch them; his head was twice its normal size from the violence he had received. Altogether he had to put eight stitches in his face. Beyond the fact that his right ear was deformed, he was now quite recovered. He had to remain six weeks in the Hospital. He would think from the position of the wounds, all near the eyes, that the object of the assailants was to blind the man.

Sergeant Perkins deposed to being on patrol duty on the night in question, when he heard groans from the roadside. He went in the direction from whence the sounds proceeded and found the prosecutor lying in a small pit about two feet deep surrounded by prickly bushes. He took him to the police station, where he was attended to. The following morning he made an examination of the scene, and found the sergeant's whistle and the holster of his revolver. There were signs of a very severe struggle, and marks in the road where they had dragged the body about. Witness said he would not go. The prisoners and four others who were told him if he did not come after having walked ten miles, they would stone him to death, and bury him in a nullah. He was so much afraid that he followed them. They came shortly afterwards to a house which they surrounded, and eventually three men who had got on to the roof jumped down into the house, and bound all the inmates. He, with the two prisoners stood outside the door, and did not go into the house. The men inside the house then came out carrying a lot of articles. The men not in custody gave him some of the goods and told him to run with them as fast as he could. He refused when the first prisoner called him a coward, and struck him with a bamboo. Later on he started off with the goods to the pre-arranged meeting place, and was later joined by the other six men. They all began to scold him and said he was not entitled to any of the booty. Afterward, however, they gave him a gold coin, and some small things, and ordered him to clear out. On his way home in Kowloon, he was carrying a silver bangle and some of the stolen property when he was stopped by a policeman who wanted to know how he came by it. Thinking he might be ill-treated he made a clean breast of all that happened.

The owner of the robbed house spoke to being badly assaulted. He recognised the first witness and the second prisoner as being two of the party. He had known the first prisoner a long time, but did not see him there that night. The amount of money they stole that night would amount to \$50, including \$10 in American gold pieces. They, the inmates of the house, remained tied up all night. When he went to the Police Station the next morning, he found the two men in the dock and the first witness in custody. He identified a quantity of clothing which had been stolen from his house.

An inmate of the house, related to the owner, was called and identified the second prisoner as being one of the robbers. He picked him out of a large number of men at the Police Station, having distinctly seen his face in the house by the light of a torch. He had known the first prisoner for a long time, but they were not related, though both had the same surname.

Two women inmates of the house spoke to the robbery, one being knocked down and robbed of two silver bangles.

A native constable spoke to arresting the prisoner Wong carrying stolen goods. From what he told him he went to the house of the first prisoner and there found property which was identified by the prosecutor.

Statements made by prisoners when charged were put in end read.

Prisoners now denied the charges.

His Lordship summed up, and the Jury found the prisoners guilty. His Lordship sentenced them to five years' imprisonment with hard labour, and 24 strokes of the birch on entering the gaol.

The prisoner Wong Yau Fat, who informed on the others was sentenced to four years' imprisonment and 12 strokes of the birch.

The Court adjourned till to-morrow at half-past ten.

Pang Lee with the chopper, and the second prisoner strike him with the bludgeon.

Dr. Laing spoke to receiving the first witness on the 12th February at the Hospital. He had a wound five inches long on his shoulder, another on the bend of the left elbow, four and a half inches long, and a third two inches long, on the upper lip.

At this stage the Court adjourned for lunch.

On resuming, the sister of the last witness, who was on the junk at the time, gave similar evidence regarding the assault. She saw both men use the weapons, produced, upon the prosecutor.

Sergeant Appleton gave evidence of arrest. He had found on board, the wounded prosecutor, and had him sent to the Hospital.

A sergeant interpreter at Yau-tai Police Station said the prisoners made statements when they were brought in, which he wrote down. Both men put their marks to the documents. The first prisoner in his statement alleged that he did not assault the prosecutor, but said it was the second prisoner. The second prisoner denied the assault, and said the injuries were caused by the first prisoner.

Further statements made by the accused totally denying the charge were put in and read.

The first prisoner now said that the woman of the junk owed him \$10 wages, and a gold ring and wanted to get rid of him. The prosecutor kept three women, and they had all come forward to tell lies against them.

His Lordship, having briefly summed up, the jury found the prisoners guilty, and they were sentenced to five years' imprisonment with hard labour, each to receive twenty-four strokes of the birch rod on entering the gaol.

DARING GANG ROBBERY.

Wong Yau Fat, was indicted for the robbery of money and jewellery from a large number of people, whom, by threats, he put in grave bodily fear.

He pleaded guilty, and was ordered to stand back for sentence.

In connection with the case Cheung Mak Sang, and Yau Kiu were indicted on the same charge, of stealing and house breaking, and putting in bodily fear a large number of people on the 22nd February, in the New Territory.

Mrs. H. G. Calthrop prosecuted on behalf of the Hon. the Attorney General.

Prisoners pleaded not guilty, and the following were sworn jurors:—Messrs. J. McArthur (foreman), M. P. Beattie, C. G. Bruckner, T. E. Colling, F. E. C. Georg, P. A. Cunningham and C. Lanahan.

Wong Yau Fat, the prisoner mentioned above, said that on the day of the robbery, six men, including the prisoners, came to him and said they would like to take him to a place where he could make a fortune. He thought they meant to go somewhere to have a gamble so he went with them. After visiting several tea saloons he asked them what they intended to do, did they want him to go robbing? The first prisoner said "No," and urged him on. Some time later they came to the house of the first prisoner, where he made a bamboo ladder, and told witness they were going to rob a little distance from where they then were. Witness said he would not go. The prisoners and four others who were told him if he did not come after having walked ten miles, they would stone him to death, and bury him in a nullah. He was so much afraid that he followed them. They came shortly afterwards to a house which they surrounded, and eventually three men who had got on to the roof jumped down into the house, and bound all the inmates. He, with the two prisoners stood outside the door, and did not go into the house. The men inside the house then came out carrying a lot of articles. The men not in custody gave him some of the goods and told him to run with them as fast as he could. He refused when the first prisoner called him a coward, and struck him with a bamboo. Later on he started off with the goods to the pre-arranged meeting place, and was later joined by the other six men. They all began to scold him and said he was not entitled to any of the booty. Afterward, however, they gave him a gold coin, and some small things, and ordered him to clear out. On his way home in Kowloon, he was carrying a silver bangle and some of the stolen property when he was stopped by a policeman who wanted to know how he came by it. Thinking he might be ill-treated he made a clean breast of all that happened.

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All the accused made long defences denying that they took any part in the attack.

His Lordship summed up, and said there could be no doubt that the persons who committed this assault did so with intent to maim and it was quite certain that but for the timely and very skilful assistance of Dr. Laing, the unfortunate sergeant would in all probability have lost his sight, for his eyelids had been deliberately cut across. He thought the jury would not be justified in finding the third prisoner guilty on account of the failure of the sergeant to act once pick him out at the Hospital. The Attorney General had also agreed to withdraw the charge.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty against the first and second prisoners.

His Lordship then charged the prisoner Chu Chi. With regard to the other, (who stoutly protested their innocence), he sentenced them to five years' imprisonment with hard labour, and to receive twenty-four strokes with the birch on entrance to the gaol.

ANOTHER BRUTAL ARMED ATTACK.

Lo Po Shing and Lo Yee were indicted for committing a violent assault upon one Pang Lee with intent to steal, each of them being armed with choppers and bludgeons, on the 12th February last.

They pleaded not guilty and the following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. D. E. Clark (foreman), J. Benjamin, J. Tatam, W. F. Muat, T. E. Colling, G. C. Engel, and J. Cruckshank.

The Hon. the Attorney General prosecuted and called Pang Lee, the prosecutor. He said he was a ship chandler, and supplied groceries to small junks and fishing boats. He tried to collect a sum of money from a junk owner, a woman, but she could not pay him. Her junk was leaving that day for the place he was going so he took passage by her. He slept in the hold, and in the middle of the night he was woken up by the first prisoner who demanded money. He told him he had none whereupon he commenced to search him. He objected when he drew a chopper and cut him on the shoulder. His ear was also cut in the struggle.

The second prisoner had come up armed with a formidable looking bludgeon with which he belaboured witness on the back and side. The prisoners afterwards wanted to get the junk away in another direction but the rest of those on board brought the junk back to Hongkong, and the prisoners were given into custody.

Statements made by prisoners when charged were put in end read.

Prisoners now denied the charges.

His Lordship summed up, and the Jury found the prisoners guilty. His Lordship sentenced them to five years' imprisonment with hard labour, and 24 strokes of the birch on entering the gaol.

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The Court adjourned till to-morrow at half-past ten.

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## SHIPPING/JETSAM.

The British steamer *Argus* is reported sold to Japanese.

A fire broke out at Kobe on the P. & O. chartered steamer *Adato* on the 8th, the loss being estimated at \$10,000.

The British steamer *Henley*, 2,311 tons gross, has been sold to a Tokio buyer, for \$80,000 and renamed the *Taiwan Maru*.

The Japanese have chartered from Messrs. Butterfield and Swire two steamers, *Anhui* and the *Chenan*, both 2,400 tons each, for a period of three months at \$14,000 per month, a reckoning of \$6 per ton.

According to the *Shanghai Times*, the American s.s. *Tucuna* was bound for Vladivostok with contraband when it became ice locked off Hokaido, and was captured by the Japanese cruisers on the 14th inst.

The Russian steamer *Progress* which ran down and sank off Tientsin, reports on the 16th inst. to have passed within a cable's length of two floating mines, one being in Lat. 39° 26' 30" N, Long. 122° 32' 30" E, and the other in Lat. 37° 9' 15" N, Long. 122° 45' 2" E.

The Compania Maritima have chartered from the *Shanghai Times*, the American s.s. *Venus*, which is at present in Hongkong harbour, and will leave for Manila on the 24th inst.—being the first Compania Maritima's boat to proceed on the run—would be permanent engaged on the passage.

The Compania Maritima have a fleet of vessels which are of considerable size and the firm is very well-known in the Philippines. The *Venus*, a vessel of about 1,000 tons, is expected to leave on Friday for Manila with a general cargo. Passengers will also be booked for the voyage, and to show that no idea of competing with the other shipping companies was entertained. Mr. Botelho observed that the charges

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CHINGWO"	15th April.
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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMEDE"	21st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	29th April.

S.S. "Kaisow" left Singapore at 5 p.m. on the 17th inst., and may be expected to arrive here about the 22nd.

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## Arrivals.

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Needles, Br. s.s., 2,095. J. P. Turner, 17th Mar.—Moj 12th Mar. Coal—S. T. & Co.  
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Katharine Park, Br. s.s., 3,075. W. H. Capp, 1st Jan.—Sasebo (Japan) 8th Jan. Light—G. I. & Co.  
E-Sang, Br. s.s., 1,127. W. F. Richard, 19th Mar.—Tientsin 11th Mar. Wei-hai-wei 15th, Gen.—J. M. & Co.  
Chi-yuen, Ch. s.s., 1,177. C. Stewart, 16th Mar.—Shanghai 16th Mar. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.  
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Slavonia, Ger. s.s., 3,206. L. Madsen, 19th Mar.—Hamburg 30th Jan. Gen.—H. A. L.  
Amberon, Br. s.s., 3,500. J. Williams, 19th Mar.—Barry 15th Jan. Coals—E. A. T. Co.  
Mercedes, Br. s.s., 2,925. G. S. McGregor, 1st Mar.—Wei-hai-wei 25th Feb. Ballast—Naval Stores.  
Ossang, Br. s.s., 1,797. J. T. Davies, 10th Mar.—Samarang 27th Feb. Sugar—J. M. & Co.  
Phra Nang, Ger. s.s., 1,021. F. V. Mangelsdorff, 15th Mar.—Bangkok 7th Mar. Rice and Gen.—B. & S.  
Proteus, Nor. s.s., 1,024. C. Möller, 15th Mar.—Moj 11th Mar. Coal—Aagaard & Thomsen Co.  
Suisang, Br. s.s., 1,776. F. Wheeler, 14th Mar.—Calcutta 25th Feb. Penang and Singapor 8th Mar. Gen.—J. M. & Co.  
Sungkiang, Br. s.s., 1,037. Pennefitter, 11th Mar.—Hilo 7th Mar. Wood—B. & S.  
Tean, Br. s.s., 1,346. A. Somerville, 17th Mar.—Manila 15th Mar. Gen.—B. & S.  
Westminster Bridge, Br. s.s., 2,202. A. W. Wenlock, 13th Mar.—London and Singapore 23rd Nov. Cons.—Order.  
Zaita, Br. s.s., 2,905. G. M. Symmer, 16th Mar.—Singapore 11th Mar. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

## Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Tai On, for Canton.  
Kwang-ho, for Shanghai.  
Chi-yuen, for Canton.  
Wong-koi, for Swatow.  
Erang, for Canton.  
Ribera, for Sasebo.  
Kong-nan, for Kongmoon.  
Ying-king, for Macao.  
Hainan, for Swatow.  
Hang-sang, for Canton.  
Chukong, for West River.  
Jacob Diederichsen, for Hoihow.  
Krejewski, for Singapore.  
Choy-sang, for Shang-hai.  
Hellas, for Shang-hai.  
Beira, for Yokohama.  
Wing-hat, for Macao.  
Hang-chow, for Shanghai.  
Minnesota, for Shanghai.  
Norman Isle, for Nagasaki.  
Carl Diederichsen, for Haiphong.  
Polita, for Rajah.  
Phranang, for Swatow.  
Honking, for Shau-u-tsung.

## Departure.

Mar. 19.  
Hatching, for Swatow.  
Wong-ho, for Swatow.  
Hue, for Haiphong.  
Ferdene, for Yokohama.  
Mar. 20.  
Kwang-tai, for Shanghai.  
Hong-te, for Amoy.  
M. Struve, for Saigon.  
Danfa, for Nagasaki.  
Chi-yuen, for Canton.  
Bjornister Bjornister, for Tamsui.  
Minnesota, for Seattle.  
Choy-sang, for Shanghai.

## Passengers arrived.

Per Chi-yuen, from Shanghai—13 Chinese.  
Per Hang-tang, from Shanghai, &c.—Messrs. Martin, Fries, and 42 Chinese.  
Per E-Sang, from Tientsin, &c.—Mr. Stavers, and 3 British Soldiers.  
Per Loekang, from Manila—Messrs. A. Schenck and F. A. Hollabough.  
Per Slavonia, from Hamburg, &c.—Mr. David Franklin, and 28 Chinese.  
Per Paklat, from Bangkok—Messrs. Ernest J. Watson, H. M. Gallagher, and 9 Chinese.  
Per Haimun, from Swatow—Mr. and Mrs. Speicher and 2 children, 180 Chinese, and 3 Japanese.  
Per Kumsang, from Calcutta, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. Hirst, Miss Livermore, Miss Loper, Messrs. Lazarus, Cook, and 500 Chinese.

## Shipping Report.

Str. Rhenanta from Shanghai—Had strong winds, with rough sea, clear weather.

Str. Chi-yuen from Shanghai—Fresh to strong NE. monsoon, heavy rain, and thunderstorms.

Str. Kumsang from Calcutta—Fine weather throughout, with light Ely and NE. winds, in Chi-a Sea.

Str. Faustang from Sourabaya—Fine weather to Lat 20° N., from thence to port fresh Nly wind, with rain.

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## Vessels in Port.

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Bogstad, Nor. s.s., 1,987. H. S. Gullicken, 16th Mar.—Chinkiang 11th Mar. Gen.—Order.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,344. E. Muhle, 13th Mar.—Sandakan 8th Mar. Timber and Gen.—M. & Co.

Beira, Br. s.s., 1,250. D. M. Gunn, 18th Mar.—Singapore 10th Mar. Gen.—N. Y. K.

Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774. H. Schlakien, 18th Mar.—Haiphong 15th Mar. Gen.—J. & Co.

Castor, Nor. s.s., 774. Y. Marshin, 14th Mar.—Singapore 6th Mar. Petroleum—Mr. Geo. MacBain.

Chingtu, Br. s.s., 1,459. J. McD. Howie, 4th Mar.—Melbourne 25th Jan. and Manila 1st Mar. Gen.—B. & S.

Claverling, Br. s.s., 2,154. D. Barton, 15th Mar.—C. C. S. S. Co.

Confidante, Ital. s.s., 1,668. R. Lico, 11th Mar.—Moj 6th Mar. Coal—J. C. J. L.

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Algerine	sloop	11,000	16	18,000	Reserve	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,500	Captain Charles Windham, C.V.O.	On way to H'kong
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	—	—	—	Captain R. Nelson Ommanney	Hongkong
Astrea	cruiser, and class gunboat	4,360	10	7,000	Reserve	Hongkong
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	—	—	—	Captain Lionel G. Tuftell	Hongkong
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	—	—	—	Reserve	Hongkong
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Fegan	Hongkong
Chamb	water tank and tug	300	—	300	Lieut.-Commander Stevenson	Hongkong
Tentis	Per <i>Kanshi</i> , 27th Mar. 5 P.M.	300	6	5,700	Captain Hon. Stopford	Hongkong
Cobu and Iollo	Per <i>Sungkiang</i> , 28th Mar. 3 P.M.	300	6	3,900	Captain P. M. Riadore	Hongkong
China	Per <i>Loongtang</i> , 24th Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Captain William B. Fawcett	Hongkong
Dreadnaught	Per <i>Regent</i> , 29th Mar. 11 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Reserve	Vang-tze
Frederick	Wilhelmshaven, Herbertshofe, Matupi, Sydney and Melbourne—Per <i>Willehad</i> , 3rd April, 11 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander E. V. F. J. Dogmore	Hongkong
Timor	Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per <i>Chingtu</i> , 8th April, 3 P.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander F. B. Nobis	Hongkong
USS <i>Arizona</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Captain T. G. Great	Hongkong
USS <i>California</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Reserve	Hongkong
USS <i>Illinoian</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Captain C. E. Monro	West River
USS <i>Massachusetts</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander Robert E. Vaughan	Hongkong
USS <i>Michigan</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander H. T. Atlay	West River
USS <i>Mississippi</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Captain C. H. H. Moore	Shanghai
USS <i>North Carolina</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander Davidson	Vang-tze
USS <i>Oregon</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Commodore Dickens	Hongkong
USS <i>Pennsylvania</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander E. Secretan	Vang-tze
USS <i>South Carolina</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Captain J. A. C. Wilkinson	Singapore
USS <i>Virginia</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Reserve	Hongkong
USS <i>Wessex</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Captain Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	On way to S'pore
USS <i>Wisconsin</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander Gregory	Hongkong
USS <i>Wyoming</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander Ernest G. Hardy	Hongkong
USS <i>Yankee</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander Holden	Vang-tze
USS <i>Zigzag</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander Hugh Somerville	Singapore
USS <i>Zipper</i>	Per <i>Asiatic</i> , 1st Mar. 10 A.M.	300	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander Jno. F. Knox	Vang-tze

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\* Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Hove, C.B., C.M.G.

## FRENCH MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA STATION.

NAME	FLAG AND DESCRIPTION	TONS.	GUNS	H. P.	COMMANDING OFFICERS	LAST REPORTED AT
Achéron	armoured gunboat	1,700	10	1,700	Lieut. Ferret	Saigon
Argus	river gunboat	123	500	150	Lieut. Jeannel	Canton
Avalanche	river gunboat	140	5	150	Lieut. Broughall	Haiphong
Balaouette	river gunboat	—	—	150	Lieut. Saigon	Saigon
Baudouine	river gunboat	—	—	150	Lieut. Hue	Saigon
Caronade	river gunboat	—	—	150	Lieut. Marveilleux du Vignaux	Gulf of Siam
Cassette	river gunboat	140	5	150	Captain Allaire	Baï d'Along
Comète	river gunboat	525	4	438	Lieutenant L'Eost	Baï d'Along
D'Assas	armoured cruiser	4,000	31	9,500	Commander Arost	Saigon
Décidé	gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieut. Mère	Haiphong
Descartes	cruiser	3,900	14	5,500	Lieut. Cotoni	Baï d'Along
Étoile	river gunboat	303	7	303	Lieut. Jenenne	Saigon
Francisque	destroyer	303	7	6,300	Capt. Ridoux	Baï d'Along
Fronde	protected cruiser	—	—	—	Lieut. Portier	Haiphong
Guyendre	armoured cruiser	9,376	7	20,200	Lieut. Coriou	Haiphong
Henri Rivière	river gunboat	200	6	308	Commander Sagot-Duvivroux	Haiphong
Jacquin	river gunboat	307	7	307	Commander Simon	Cham-pu & S'hai
Javeline	destroyer	1,250	7	2,2		

Mails.

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COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT,  
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HAVRE, BORDEAUX,  
(MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.)

The S.S. "OCEANIEN."

Captain Oliver, will be despatched for  
MARSEILLES TO-MORROW, the 21st  
March, at 1 P.M.

Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading  
issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in  
Europe.

Next sailings will be as follows:—

S.S. "TOURANE" ..... 4th April.  
S.S. "TONKIN" ..... 8th April.  
S.S. "DUMBEA" ..... 2nd May.

L. BRIDOU,  
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1905.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR  
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ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN  
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(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,  
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T HE Steamship

"MALTA,"  
Captain R. A. Peters, carrying His Majesty's  
Mails, will be despatched from this for  
BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 25th  
March, at Noon, taking Passengers and  
Cargo for the above Ports in connection with  
the Company's S.S. "Murmura," 10,500 tons, from  
Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which  
vessel is assured before departure from Hong-  
kong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,  
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will  
be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail  
steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and  
London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be  
conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Egypt,"  
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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4  
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and  
Value of all Packages are required.

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L. S. LEWIS  
Acting Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 10th March, 1905.

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Connecting at Tacoma with  
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR  
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Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	Sailing.
Pleated 1 ...	3,753	F. G. Purington	At Mar. 30
Shawmut ...	6,666	E. V. Roberts	April 13
Tremont ...	6,666	T. W. Garlick,	April 13
Lyra 1 ...	4,417	G. V. Williams	May 15

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FOR MANILA.  
The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable  
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for first, and second class passengers. The  
large size of these vessels ensures steadiness  
at sea. Electric fan in each room.

Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo  
carried in cold storage.

For further Information, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
General Agents.

Queen's Buildings,  
Hongkong, 18th March, 1905.

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GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

## PORTLAND CEMENT.

\$4.50 per Bag 375 lbs. net ex Factory.  
\$2.70 per Bag 250 lbs. net ex Factory.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [50]

## TUBORG BEER.

A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER  
guaranteed free from Salicylic Acid,  
and any other Chemicals.

PRICE \$1.50 per case of 48 bottles (quarts)  
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Special Prices for Quantities.

Sole Agents:—

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [57]

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DIAMOND MERCHANTS, JEWELERS  
AND WATCHMAKERS.

EASTMAN'S

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Sole Agents for "OMEGA" WATCHES.  
"OMEGA" is the best, "THREE YEARS'"  
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INCANDESCENT  
GASOLINE  
LAMPS  
OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS,  
from the best makers.

INCANDESCENT  
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for  
GASOLINE AND GAS  
LAMPS

at the most moderate  
prices.

Lamps fixed up for  
Buyers free of charge.

Naphtha of the best  
kind kept in stock.

TAI KWONG CO.

56, Lyndhurst Terrace.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1904. [54]

## TO LET.

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FROM 1st April, ONE OFFICE ROOM  
on Second Floor, Prince's Buildings.

Apply to—

REUTER, BROCKELMANN &amp; CO.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1905. [376]

## TO LET.

HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit  
Road, from 1st July.

Apply—

THE MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [366]

## TO LET (UNFURNISHED)

4 ROOMS with BATHROOMS, suitable for  
Bachelors, in Queen's Road Central.

Apply—

C/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [328]

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A BUILDING at CAUSEWAY BAY, at  
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Laundry Co. Ltd.

No. 1, RIPON TERRACE.

A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.  
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing  
Polo Ground.OFFICES in course of erection, CON-  
NAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).

GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [69]

## TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE,  
THE PEAK.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
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Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [70]

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SIX FIRST-CLASS EUROPEAN

HOUSES in Observatory Road, Tsim  
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well-ventilated living rooms, two bath rooms,  
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ters, water, gas, electric light, and bells.

Moderate Rental. Possession on or about

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Apply to—

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1905. [306]

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STATIONER AND PAPER MERCHANT,  
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HAS always on hand all varieties of  
Stationery, Printing and Note Papers,  
Copying Presses, also Automatic Cyclostyle,  
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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1905. [64]

TSANG FOO, &amp; CO.,

COAL MERCHANTS AND STEVEDORES;

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SHIPS Coal'd from alongside at the shortest  
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Prices Moderate. Telephone No. 329.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1904. [61]

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT. RP/SERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation .....	80,000	\$125	\$125	{ \$1,000,000 \$8,000,000 \$250,000	\$1,493,408	Div. of £1.10/- and bonus of £1 @ ex- change 1/1.9/16=\$25.46 for second half-year 1904	5% 5%	\$750 buyers London £77
National Bank of China, Limited .....	99,925	\$7	\$7	{ \$1,75,533 \$191,973	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	52%	\$360 buyers
MARINE INSURANCES								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited .....	10,000	\$250	\$25	{ \$1,400,000 \$8,739	\$150,494	\$17 for 1903	68%	\$285.
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited .....	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	{ \$950,000 \$151,992 \$62,366 \$371,445	Nil.	\$4½ for year ended 30.4.1904	70%	\$59
North China Insurance Company, Limited .....	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 217,119	Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903	8%	Tls. 95 sellers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited .....	10,000	\$250	\$100	{ \$1,20,000 \$73,749 \$89,110	\$2,078,997	\$35 for 1903	5%	\$695 sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited .....	8,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$700,000 \$37,794	\$486,284	\$12 for 1902	70%	\$160
Fire Insurances.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....	20,000	\$100	\$20	{ \$1,000,000 \$125,675	\$329,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1903	8½%	\$86 sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,20,505	\$360,372	\$34 for 1903	10½%	\$315 sellers
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited....	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900	...	\$22
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited .....	20,000	\$50	\$50	none	Nil.	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	6%	\$35.
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamship Co., Ltd. ....	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$600,000 \$158,444	\$26,160	\$1 for second half-year 1904	9½%	\$2